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Sturt Street Community School & Children's Centre E-Newsletter Term 3 Week 4 20193

Dear Parents and Guardians

It's hard to believe that we are now more than half way through the school year, but the term promises to be a very busy, and as always successful. The start of Term 3 usually sees the worst of the winter weather and I hope all families have managed to keep warm and healthy during this season. Please remember to label all jackets and school jumpers with your child's name which makes returning them so much easier. Students have begun term three extremely positively and are looking forward to the key events this term which include:

- Book Week
- Science Week and Open Afternoon
- Canberra Camp
- Korean Homestays
- Festival of Music Choir Performance

Welcome to our Korean Homestay Students

A big welcome to our six South Korean homestay students (Yrs 6/7). These students come from an area south of Seoul called Cheongju and are part of a group of 100 Korean students who are visiting as part of a wider study tour. Students are being hosted in over 10 different South Australian primary schools from **Tuesday 30th July to Friday 16th Aug 2019**.

Last Tuesday we welcomed our students, fitted them with school uniforms and introduced them to their host families from our school that will be looking after the students during their visit. At school the students are being hosted by the Year 6/7 classes who have created a Tour Itinerary to show them around Adelaide. This is the first time our school has hosted homestay students and it's a fantastic opportunity for us all to learn a lot about a new culture, food, language, customs and traditions. We sincerely thank our 6 families who have welcomed these students into their homes and family lives.



1 - Welcome

Safety

Thank you for your patience with the continuous road works around our school since the start of the year. These are now completed and the Sturt Street upgrades have improved safety for our students and should result in slowing speeds by reminding drivers of the presence of school children.

There still remain a number of students and parents that are cutting through the 'Staff Car Parks' at the start and end of the school day which is dangerous and unacceptable. There have been a number of 'near misses' as parents allow their children to wander across the car park to the gate, running behind cars as staff have been backing out in the afternoon, or in front of cars driving into the car park in the morning. Can I please stress to parents to take care of your children when arriving and departing the school and walk in and out of the school through the central gate.



Music Performance Evening

Always a popular night, the Music Performance Evening will be held on **Monday, 23rd September from 7.00 - 8.00 pm**. The school band will perform and there will also be an opportunity for students who learn an instrument to perform a short solo. Musicians of all ages and standards are encouraged to perform! An email with a form to nominate your child will follow shortly.



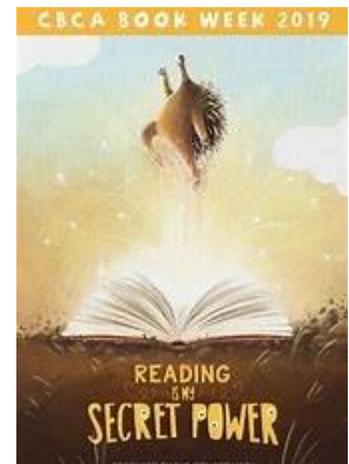
We encourage you to put this date in your diary and come and support the school community in this wonderful night of musical celebration.

2 - 2018 Music Performance Night

Book Week Dress Up Parade - Friday 23 August at 8.45am in the Hall

Parents are welcome to stay for the 'Parade of Characters' in the hall on the 23rd August. Students may come dressed as a book character for the Book Week parade, or alternatively use the theme **"Reading Is My Secret Power"** to create their own unique costume.

Please leave all play weapons at home e.g. - guns, swords, sling shots, light sabres, shields. Helmets are to be removed after the parade. Children need to be appropriately dressed to participate in the rest of their school day (be warm enough, sit in class, climb and play safely) so please pack your child's school uniform in their bag for them to change into if need be for their comfort and participation in lessons like PE.



Staffing News

We welcome back Lyn from Long Service Leave. She will be teaching art from Years R-5

Whole School Musical Update

Preparations are well underway for our bi-annual school production **'Sturt Street's Got Talent!'** which will hit the Royalty Theatre stage on **Friday night, 6th December**. Under the direction of Kat, students with speaking parts are rehearsing weekly and all classes are each learning a song. Any parents/care givers who would like to be involved, especially with costumes, please contact Kat.



All the best
Darrin Briggs - Principal

STUDENT MOBILE PHONES

Students who have mobile phones **are required to put them in their school bags** when entering the school grounds. **They are not permitted to be used at lunchtimes and are not to be accessed / checked or used until leaving the school at the end of the day.**

Parents should not expect their child to answer a phone call or access / reply to text messages during the day. Your child should not be calling or texting you during the school day as their phone should not be being accessed.

Parents who need to relay any urgent message to their child during the school day should contact the Front Office. Teachers will not take calls from parents from a student's mobile phone.



Kiwanis Terrific Kids Assembly - Thursday 4th July



AUGUST

TUESDAY 13th

- JP Book Week Activities

FRIDAY 16th

- Year 2 & 3 Excursion

WEEK 5 - Book Week (19th - 23rd August)

MONDAY 19th

- Mobile Science Space Workshops R-7 (Hall)
 - Governing Council meeting 6.30pm

THURSDAY 22nd

- Choir to Morphettsville for rehearsal 8.45-12.30
 - The Great Book Swap

FRIDAY 23rd - BOOK WEEK PARADE

THURSDAY 29th - SCHOOL PHOTOS

FRIDAY 30th

- R-3 Science Open Morning - 8.45-9.45am

SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 3rd to Friday 6th - Year 6/7 Canberra Trip

TUESDAY 3rd

- Living Safely with Pets sessions - 11.00am

FRIDAY 6th - SCHOOL CLOSURE

MONDAY 9th - PUPIL FREE DAY

TUESDAY 10th - ASSEMBLY 9.00am in hall

FRIDAY 13th

- Music Choir rehearsal at Festival Theatre 8.45am
(Evening Concert 6.40 - 9.35 pm)

Early Learning Centre / Preschool



3 - What makes a Community?

4 - How do you feel?

ELC News

This term's program is focusing on "what makes a community?" we are exploring ideas through role play or a variety of shops. Some familiar shops that children have been showing interest and their knowledge about are an ice cream shop, grocery shop and coffee shop. This has inspired much negotiation and role play between friendship groups. We've also extended this by making our own community through recycled cardboards, making a city landscape of buildings, roads, houses and shops.

In acknowledgement of NAIDOC week many experiences were offered to children, using natural resources of bark, gumnuts, and timber children experimented with painting. They also had opportunities to make their own tap sticks which are used as a musical instrument.

A collaborative art piece of a rainbow serpent was created which was inspired by the "Warnayarra the Rainbow Snake" book.

We have been discussing feelings and emotions with children recently. We have read "How do you feel?" and using the feelings hopscotch to represent the many facial expressions that come with our feelings. Children have been drawing their own faces as well as using the feelings hopscotch to act out these feelings. We will continue to explore these feelings by singing songs like "if you're happy and you know it clap your hands."

Alison Wells
Early Years Director

Reimagining Childhood Project

Claire and Meg represented Sturt Street Children's Centre by presenting the outcomes of their Reimagining Childhood project, where they focussed on 'are we listening' to children and acknowledging the 100 languages of children. The final report will be out shortly.

5 - Claire and Meg



Things to do and remember:

- **Nature Education** - we will be hosting animals from the Nature Education Centre for the first six weeks of term.
- **Book Week** - Week 5 (Monday 19 - Friday 23 August) Preschool will be holding our Book Week parade on Thursday 22nd of August.
- **Triskills** - Week 5 (Tuesday 20 and Wednesday 21 August)
- **Preschool Closure Day** - Wednesday 28 August (Week 6). If you require care that day please email ssccelc.admin532@schools.sa.edu.au
- **Preschool Parent Teacher Meetings (4-5 year olds)** - Week 9 (Monday 16 - Friday 20 September) Notice to follow shortly.

School Photographs

The school photographer will be visiting the school on **Thursday 29th August (Week 6)** to take student and class photos for 2019.

- All students will have their photo taken on the day.
- All orders for school photos are payable online.
- Students only need to bring the envelope with your order to the school on photo day. Envelopes will then be given to the photographer when their class goes to the hall for photos.



Sibling pre-paid envelopes are available from the Front office for any parents who may wish to purchase a sibling photograph. All sibling photographs should be paid for in these envelopes to avoid confusion and kept separately.

Spare individuals photograph packs will also be available from the Front Office.

A note from the photographer: It is vital to the smooth operation of their pre-payment system that each child returns their own envelope, even if payment is enclosed in a sibling's envelope).

Susan Langton - School Photos coordinator

Library News **PREMIERS READING Challenge**

Well done to those students who have already completed the challenge. The PRC display is now up in the library for you to see how your class is progressing.

Community News

Let Them Play!

The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child [recognises play](#) as every child's basic right. But play is becoming extinct. Global [studies, across generations](#), have confirmed outdoor children's play has been declining, across all age groups, for decades. Please click on the link to read more!

Let them play! Kids need freedom from play restrictions to develop.

<https://theconversation.com/let-them-play-kids-need-freedom-from-play-restrictions-to-develop-117586>

Kat Ochan - Community Development Co-ordinator
Sturt Street Children's Centre | Safer Family Programme

If you have finished reading for the challenge please give your form back to your class room teacher or Library staff.

Reading finishes on the 6th September. Extra forms are available from the Library if needed.

Book Week – August 19 – 23 – Week 5

The theme this year is: **“Reading is my Secret Power.** Preparations are well underway for Book Week. There will be many ways throughout the week to celebrate the joy of reading, and to look closely at the short listed books both in the classroom and in the library.”

A reminder that the Book Week parade will be held on **Friday 23rd August** in the hall.

Sue M and Sue L - The Library Team

Lost and Found

At the end of Term 2 there was a significant amount of school clothing, jackets and hats without proper labelling in the Lost property box. Unfortunately this makes it very difficult to return items to their owner. It would be appreciated if you could spare a few minutes of your time to name your child's uniform (tops, jackets, hats etc.), and any other items they may bring to school, using a permanent marker or sew on labels. This would help identify lost property, and save you the cost of replacing items left at school.

Thank you

